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California State Senate

THOMAS F. KEATING

Senator for Marin County

San Rafael, California
January 13, 1940.

Mrs. Hilda M. Grunert, Secretary
Progressive Club of Stinson Beach
Marin County, California

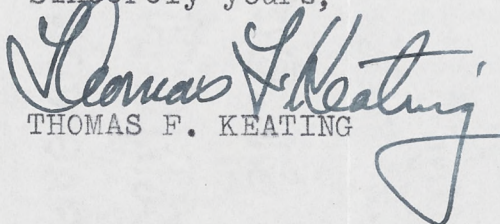
Dear Mrs. Grunert:

This will acknowledge receipt of your letter of January 10, 1940, advising me of the action of your organization in requesting that I support a bill for an appropriation to maintain and operate all State Buildings and exhibits on Treasure Island in 1940.

I am of the opinion that the State should, of course, again support its exhibits, and the only question is, therefore, that of the amount to be appropriated in view of the strapped financial condition of the State.

Thanking you for your letter, and with best wishes to your membership, I am

Sincerely yours,


THOMAS F. KEATING

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PROGRESSIVE CLUB

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S T I N S O N B E A C H

M A R I N C O U N T Y :: C A L I F O R N I A

January, 1940

TO THE RESIDENTS AND
PROPERTY OWNERS OF STINSON BEACH:

The Progressive Club of Stinson Beach is your legislative organization. Without an active community club you have no means of expressing your desire for civic improvements. Through the efforts of this body 1939 has been a big year for our town and with your cooperation in 1940 we may look forward to continued progress.

Following are some of the improvements sponsored by or indorsed by our Club during the past year:

Purchase of "Willow Camp" and the beach as a County Park was consummated.

Paving of the "Panoramic Highway" became a reality.

Elimination of toll on the roads to Muir Woods.

Paving, by the County, of five additional streets within our town limits.

Arrangements made for the appointment of a second Deputy Sheriff.

Additional Safety Signs and markings on the Highway.

Earwig extermination campaign initiated.

Assisted in the continuation of the "Dipsea Race" and donated the trophy awarded as first prize.

Cooperated in the formation of an active Volunteer Fire Department.

Sponsored a Community Christmas Tree and party.

If you are not a member, we invite you to join our Club and take your part in the business of this community. The annual dues are \$1.50. Your check may be mailed to Hilda M. Grunert, Secretary, Stinson Beach. The meetings are held at 8:00 P.M. on the first Wednesday of each month in the Club Room, at the Sea Beach Hotel.

May we welcome you to our next meeting.

MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE

William S. Sadler

H. B. Wilson

Mary Ethel Goodfellow

C O P Y

January 28, 1940

Mr. F. D. Linsley,
Sausalito, Calif.

Dear Sir:

Mrs. Eve Stinson Fitzhenry has given me a check to be turned over to the Treasurer of our organization, which she says was given to her by yourself.

She has explained how she was instrumental in helping you choose the organization that would use the money to the best advantage for this District and we wish to thank you both for your confidence.

The Progressive Club has helped in the improvement of this community in many ways, and has always generously helped promote items of interest to this district, such as the Dipsea Race, our Christmas celebration, etc. so I think you can feel assured that the money will be put to very good use.

Again thanking you,

Yours very truly,

THE PROGRESSIVE CLUB OF STINSON BEACH

Hilda M. Grunert,
Secretary.

\$ 38.64

Jan. 29, 1940

Dear Mrs. Armistead,

Enclosed you will find a check for the Progressive Club which has been given to us by a Mr. Linsley of Sausalito, thro the influence of Mrs. Fitzhenry.

Please send it to the Bank. My letter to you will be my own receipt, as I will take it for granted you will receive it promptly.

J.H. wants me to tell you that we are leaving tomorrow morning, that is Monday morning, and that he is coming along. I am sure he will enjoy it.

Give our best to Miss Duser, and of course, yourself,

Sincerely,

Hilda M. Gruent
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P.S. You will send Mrs. Algar a statement before the meeting on Feb. 7, please.

H.M.G.

1722 Houghtaling
Honolulu, T.H.
February 16, 1940

Dear Mrs. Gunnert:

We gladly accept the invitation to join the Progressive Club of Stinson Beach. Though many nautical miles prevent us from becoming active members, we would like to be informed of the efforts the Club is making for Progress. We are especially interested in Willow Camp becoming a County Park, the annual Dipsea Race, paving within the City, & the water situation, but of course news of all Marvelous Marin is important, too. Maybe at some not too future date we can become active members. In the mean time, could a report be mailed to us every so often?

Enclosed is a money order of \$1.50 for our dues -

Sincerely & much Aloha

Mrs. & Mrs. Clinton F. O'Neil

8 March 1940

Mr. Oran Jenkins,
Stinson Beach, California.

Dear Mr. Jenkins:

I hand you herewith two black line print copies of Stinson Beach map prepared by Mr. Clow of the Marin County Assessor's office, duly marked to correspond with a map heretofore furnished by the Fitzhenry interests.

I was very glad to hear of your appointment by the Progressive Club of Stinson Beach and trust that the attached maps will be of assistance to you in preparing your report and recommendation.

Very truly yours,

WK:DM

Copy: Progressive Club of Stinson Beach

S. LAZ LANSBURGH
ATTORNEY AT LAW
105 MONTGOMERY STREET
SAN FRANCISCO

February 20, 1940

Mr. Paul F. Grunert,
Stinson Beach, California.

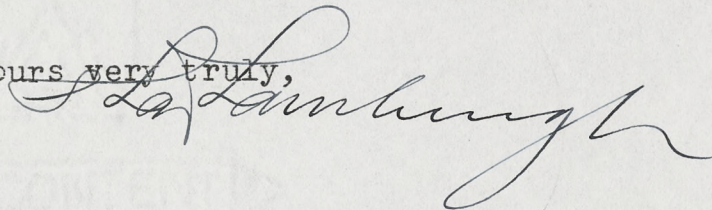
My dear Paul:

Apropos of the matter which I spoke to you about the other day, I enclose you herewith letter dated February 19, which I received from William Kent, together with letter of same date, directed to Progressive Club of Stinson Beach, attached to which is Mr. Kent's check for \$25.00.

After it has served your purpose please return to me Mr. Kent's letter directed to me. And I would ask you to be kind enough to reply directly to Mr. Kent concerning the matter.

SLL:B
Enc.

Yours very truly,



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ST. ALBANS, VERMONT
JANUARY 19, 1900
JAMES W. BROWN

February 12, 1900
St. Albans, Vt.

Mr. J. E. O'Brien
St. Albans, Vt.

My dear Mr. O'Brien:

I have just received your letter of the 10th inst. and am glad to hear that you are well. I have been thinking of you lately and wondering how you are getting on. I hope you are all well and happy. I have been very busy lately, but I have managed to find some time to write you. I have been thinking of you a great deal lately and wondering how you are getting on. I hope you are all well and happy. I have been very busy lately, but I have managed to find some time to write you.

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8 March 1940.

Mr. William Kent, Jr.,
San Francisco,
California.

Dear Sir;

At the meeting of our organization on March
fifth your contribution to a fund for the planning
of Willow Park was received and accepted with thanks.

The Progressive Club matched your twenty-five
dollars with an additional twenty-five dollars to
make the total of fifty dollars which sum is asked by

8 March 1940.

Mr. William Kent, Jr.,
San Francisco,
California.

Dear Sir;

At the meeting of our organization on March fifth, your contribution toward a fund for the planning of Willow Park was received and accepted with thanks.

The Progressive Club matched your twenty-five with an additional twenty-five dollars to make the total of fifty dollars, for which sum Mr. O. Jenkins has agreed to draw up and submit a plan to our organization for consideration.

Yours very truly,

THE PROGRESSIVE CLUB OF STINSON BEACH.

Hilda M. Grunert
Hilda M. Grunert,
Secretary.

WILLIAM KENT, JR.
2602 RUSS BUILDING
SAN FRANCISCO

19 February 1940

Mr. S. Laz Lansburgh,
105 Montgomery Street,
San Francisco, California.

Dear Laz:

I enclose herewith a letter addressed to the Progressive Club of Stinson Beach together with check of the William Kent Estate Co. in the sum of \$25.00.

In accordance with our recent conversation I sincerely hope that the Club will be able to raise sufficient funds to employ someone for the job and that it will undertake to submit its recommendation to the Board of Supervisors as soon as possible. I believe that we are in accord that the citizens of Stinson Beach should go on record as soon as possible with both the Board of Supervisors and the citizens of Marin County with a recommendation for the development of the new County Park.

I suggest the name of Oran Jenkins for this work as he is a resident of Stinson Beach and is will qualified for the preliminary work; however, I shall only be too glad to endorse whomever the Progressive Club chooses.

In the plan it is my thought that the following matters should be covered:

- Removal of present shacks.
- Some brush clearing.
- Construction of picnic tables.
- Installation of refuse cans.
- Installation of water.
- Allocation of property for auto parking.
- Construction of toilets.
- Construction of bath house and showers.

However, it is not my intention to influence the scope of any report which the architect or landscape engineer may deem suitable.

WK:DM
Enc.
Copy: Mr. T. W. Malmgren

Very truly yours,

William Kent Jr

WILLIAM KENT, JR.
2602 RUSS BUILDING
SAN FRANCISCO

19 February 1940

Progressive Club of Stinson Beach,
Stinson Beach, California.

Gentlemen:

In consideration of the contributions of others for the establishment of a fund of not less than \$50.00, we are glad to tender our check for \$25.00. It is understood that this fund will be used by your organization to employ an architect or a landscape engineer who will prepare and submit to your organization an ideal plan for the development of the Stinson Beach County Park.

Very truly yours,

WILLIAM KENT ESTATE CO.

By

William Kent Jr
President

WK:DM
Enc.

11 March 1940.

Mr. Walter B. Sellmer, Sheriff,
Marin County, California.

Dear Mr. Sellmer;

At the last meeting of our organization I was requested to write you regarding the situation of deputy sheriff in this district.

This Club asks if you will not consider and definitely plan some method by which you could arrange sufficient funds with which to pay a deputy sheriff to be here in town and on hand over the week-ends of this coming summer.

As you know, Willow Camp is now the County property, and it will be somewhat more difficult to control the public there-in than when it was privately owned.

We definitely ask you to arrange, if at all possible, some allowance for this district in your next budget.

Thanking you,

Yours very truly,

THE PROGRESSIVE CLUB OF STINSON BEACH?

Hilda M. Grunert,
Secretary.

Copy sent to Mr. Fred. Bagshaw, Supervisor.

April 4, 1940.

Honorable Board of Supervisors,
Marin County, California .

Gentlemen;

The District of Stinson Beach petitions you to seriously consider adding sufficient funds to the Sheriffs' budget this year so as to allow him to pay a Deputy Sheriff to be at the service of the people here over week-ends in the summer time.

It is particularly important to have some one in authority on hand on Saturday and Sunday when so many people flock to Stinson to enjoy the Beach.

We have no one in authority who will stay in town over the week-ends without pay, and as the Willow Camp Park is developed it will be more than ever important.

We hope you will give this point your careful consideration, as it would actually take a very small sum to keep a man here. Basing a rough estimate for patrol on Saturday and Sunday and perhaps holidays of every week for five month at \$5.00 per day, it would not cost the County over \$200. This would give us definite protection during the busy months of May, June, July, August, and September.

As Stinson Beach is growing rapidly and our week-end crowds grow with each season, we hope you can definitely include this small sum in the next Sheriff Budget.

Yours very truly,

THE PROGRESSIVE CLUB OF STINSON BEACH

Hilda M. Grunert,
Secretary.

Copy sent to Walter B. Sellmer, Sheriff.

April 4, 1940.

Mr. Fred. Bagshaw, Supervisor,
Mill Valley, Cal.

Dear Mr. Bagshaw;

Enclosed with this letter you will find one addressed to the Honorable Board of Supervisors which we are sending to you for approval.

If you do not consider it the proper thing to send in at this time, please let us know. Or give us some idea of what we might do regarding this situation as outlined in the letter to the Board.

We have not yet heard from the Woodington pardon, and are wondering if you could see your way to writing a letter to the Governors Office in Sacramento regarding same. Mr. Woodingtons name is William Stanley Woodington. We are still very anxious to have his name cleared, but seem unable to get any answer from the Governors office lately. We feel that it would help to have some one else who is interested in the young man, write regarding his status, also. We have written the Governor all about his situation here, and that we want his record clear so that he could serve us. So anything you might write would be alright.

If you do approve of the enclosed letter will you please present it at your next meeting? If you do not approve please let me know at once. I will not send the copy to Sheriff Sellmer until I hear from you.

Thanking you,

Yours very truly,

Hilda M. Grunert.

April 4, 1940.

Mrs. Eve Stinson Fitzhenry,
Mrs. Lillian Hensill,
Miss Maude Stinson.

Dear Mrs. Fitzhenry, Mrs. Hensill and Miss Stinson;

At the meeting of our organization last evening Mr. Wilson told us of the misfortune that befell his youngest daughter while on her way to school on Tuesday April second, which you no doubt have heard about.

Several other parents told how they feared for their children while they were on their way to and from school.

A committee was appointed, comprised of Mr. Wilson, Mr. Hagenbuch and Mrs. Woodington, to investigate the possibilities of a new school site nearer town. I was requested as secretary, to write you regarding the possibility of moving the present building to a new site.

We all realize that originally the understanding was that the building would have to remain where it now is. However, perhaps you would be willing to allow the building to be moved to a new site, if and when such a place is ever found, when you realize that the conditions surrounding such young children walking on a highway to school, has changed so much since the present location was chosen.

In any case, would you be kind enough to get together on this problem some time before long and let me know what your decision in that regard might be?

Thanking you,

Yours very truly,

THE PROGRESSIVE CLUB OF STINSON BEACH

Hilda M. Grunert,
Secretary.

Hilda M. Grunert

June 7, 1940.

Mr. Ankers, Manager,
Bank of America,
Mill Valley, Cal.

Dear Mr. Ankers;

Stinson Beach will raise the twenty-five dollars if you find it necessary for us to contribute this sum towards the proposed sign which is to be placed on the Redwood Highway.

We would appreciate your contacting us whenever you are certain of carrying out the plan as outlined. We would then immediately forward the money to you.

Mr. Airey endeavored to describe the sign to the Progressive Club members at their meeting the other evening, and I tried to help out from what I remembered of the plate you showed me here.

If any changes are made in this plan we should appreciate hearing from you. In the mean time we will go about raising the money you request and will be awaiting your word to send it on to you.

Thanking you,

Yours very truly,

THE PROGRESSIVE CLUB OF STINSON BEACH.

Hilda M. Grunert,
Secretary.

PROGRESSIVE CLUB



June 7, 1940.

Department of the Board of Health,
Marin County, California.

Dear Sir;

We are confronted with an unusual situation here due to the fact that the County surveyor has so far been unable to find the time to survey the boundaries of the new County Park here at Stinson Beach.

As a consequence, the drainage ditches necessary to drain off the water which has been standing in the willows and causing a very wet swampy condition, have not been built.

Mosquitos are breeding fast and making themselves felt in the Park both day and night,

As this is County property and out of our jurisdiction, would it be possible for you to help in abating this nuisance?

We have to-day written to Mr. Messner, with copies to the Board of Supervisors, Sam Gardner of Marvellous Marin and Mr. Fred. Bagshaw, urging him to please hurry the matter of the survey so that this territory can be properly drained. As you realize this would most quickly eradicate the nuisance.

Perhaps you could add some pressure from the health standpoint if you could talk to Mr. Messner, or mention it to the Board of Supervisors.

The present wet condition and the mosquitos is drawing a great deal of criticism of our County, because Stinson Beach has never been annoyed with any particular number of mosquitos in any other year.

We do not understand the reason for the delay of the survey, as it was ordered done more than two months ago.

Should appreciate any help you may be able to offer regarding our predicament,

and thanking you,

Copy sent
Mr. Fred. Bagshaw.

Yours very truly,

THE PROGRESSIVE CLUB OF STINSON BEACH
Hilda M. Grunert, Secretary

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

MILL VALLEY, CALIFORNIA

June 11, 1940

Mrs. Hilda M. Grunert, Secretary
The Progressive Club of Stinson Beach
Stinson Beach, California

Dear Mrs. Grunert:

Thank you for your letter of June 7, 1940,
advising us of the fact that your club is to raise
\$25.00 as a contribution toward the erection of the
proposed directional sign.

We thank you for your cooperation in this
matter and will call on you when the funds are needed.

Yours very truly,

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE



By F. C. Ankers
Chairman of the Committee

FCA:SN

Copy
June 7, 1940.

Mr. Rodney Messner,
County Surveyor,
San Rafael, Cal.

Dear Mr. Messner;

This is a direct appeal to you by our community and this organization to survey the boundaries of the County Park property here at your very earliest convenience.

Some months ago we understand the Board of Supervisors empowered you to do the necessary survey and each week we are told you will be here and at it within the next few days.

All real progress in the Park is being held up because of the lack of this survey. Not knowing the exact boundaries of the Park property it has been impossible to dig the draining ditches which are necessary to draw off the mud and water still standing everywhere since the heavy floods last spring.

As a consequence, mosquitos are plentiful and most disagreeably annoying. Mosquitos have never been felt here other years and therefore are drawing considerable criticism of the County from our visitors.

The summer vacation begins June fifteenth and after that date a great many people come here for their vacation and the swimming. If the Park is still in its present sadly wet condition for lack of the proper drainage, there will be much more undesirable criticism as well as a possible financial loss to the County itself.

I have explained the above conditions and details in order to impress upon all concerned of the great necessity for this immediate survey.

At this time we are also appealing to the County Board of Health regarding the mosquito condition in this wet area.

We sincerely hope that you can see your way to taking care of this very important matter in the near future.

Thanking you,

Yours very truly,

THE PROGRESSIVE CLUB F STINSON BEACH

Copies sent:

Gail Apperson, Chairman
Board of Supervisors.
Fred. Bagshaw, Supervisor,
San Gardner, Marvelous Marin.

Hilda M. Grunert,
Secretary

H. O. HOWITT, M. D.
MARIN COUNTY HEALTH OFFICER
SAN RAFAEL, CALIFORNIA

June 14, 1940

The Progressive Club of Stinson Beach
Stinson Beach, California

Attn: Miss H. M. Grunert, Secretary

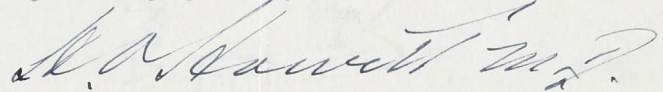
Dear Miss Grunert:

In reply to your letter of June 7, 1940.

Since Stinson beach is out of the territory covered by the Mosquito Abatement District, the only help I can give is to advise you to spread oil on the water which has been standing in the willows.

I understand that Mr. Messner has gone over to Stinson beach within the last few days.

Very truly yours,



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July 4, 1940.

Mrs. Jessie Kenyon,
Stinson Beach,
California.

Dear Mrs. Kenyon;

At the Progressive Club meeting last evening we were all very pleasantly surprised to see the perfectly wonderful American Flag you gave to our organization and the community.

The members present asked me to immediately write you our appreciation and I am certain I speak for every person in Stinson Beach.

On this most appropriate of all days, in our new park, the flag stands out in all its' glory, thanks to you.

We are very grateful to you and are very proud to have the flag, and I assure you we all give you a very hearty vote of thanks.

Yours very truly,

THE PROGRESSIVE CLUB OF STINSON BEACH

Hilda M. Grunert
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Secretary.

STINSON BEACH VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT

STINSON BEACH



MARIN COUNTY, CALIFORNIA

July 20, 1940

The Progressive Club has been asked to circularize residents of Stinson Beach relative to the disposal of garbage.

It was brought out that certain persons in the community have been dumping garbage on the Ocean Beach and along the roads leading from the town.

This condition in addition to being insanitary ~~sensational~~ is unsightly to both the residents of and the visitors to the beach.

The abatement of this nuisance is a matter of civic pride and an effort is being made to seek the cooperation of all residents of Stinson Beach in this problem.

Mrs. Algar.

This is the letter relative to the garbage situation in town as compiled by S. Wilson + myself, will you please check it over and see if you would make any corrections. If not will you please give it to Mrs. Burnett.

Thank
J. S. Sadler.

The Progressive Club of Stinson Beach
Stinson Beach, Marin County, Cal.
July 20th, 1940.

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Suggested addition-

and we ask your co-operation to solve this problem. Prevent careless dumping from your own family and persuade your neighbors, visitors, or tenants from doing the same.

Let's have a clean beach and presentable roadsides.

Mrs. Algar was busy this morning so she asked my co-operation in writing a letter. I made up the enclosed which I think appeals to the pride of our residents. What do you think?

PROGRESSIVE CLUB

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STINSON BEACH

MARIN COUNTY :: CALIFORNIA

August 6, 1940

Dear Fellow Residents and Property Owners:

A great many criticisms made by visitors to our beach, regarding the dumping of what appears to be local garbage on our beach, have come to the attention of some of the Progressive Club members both directly and indirectly. As this condition casts a very decided reflection on the habits of each and every one of us, the Club has decided to appeal to all of the residents and visitors to help us curb this most objectionable habit of unquestionably a very few.

Some people seem to think that the ocean washes away anything they put on the shore, while the action of the water is quite the contrary.

To continue this promiscuous dumping on both the highways and the beach will certainly be a detriment to our beautiful little town if it is continued, besides being insanitary and unsightly, to say the least.

The abatement of this nuisance is a matter of civic pride and we ask your co-operation to solve this problem. Please prevent careless dumping from your own family, and be sure to persuade your neighbors, visitors, and tenants, from doing the same.

Let's have a beach and roadsides free from all criticism. Let's show that we are proud of them.

Yours very truly,

The Progressive Club of Stinson Beach

P.S. There is a weekly Saturday collection and disposal of garbage available for families at 75¢ a month, or for transients at 25¢ per can.

COPY

September 16, 1940

Colonel John H. Skeggs, District Engineer
Division of Highway
Department of Public Works
State Building, San Francisco
California

Dear Colonel Skeggs:

We are sending under separate cover four (4) 8x10 photographs taken at a location unofficially known as Overhanging Rock on the Shoreline Highway. This, as you will recall, is just south of Stinson Beach.

One of our constituent organizations, the Progressive Club of Stinson Beach, at our last executive committee meeting, requested that we communicate with you and bring to your attention the conditions of the highway at this particular point. I am sure that your local crew is well aware of the situation and that we can rely upon them to keep this sector of the road in good traveling condition. Nevertheless we do most respectfully want to urge that an unusually close scrutiny be given.

As you will note by the photographs, #1 shows the curve at Overhanging Rock with the slide condition in the middle foreground. #2 is down the bank on a shoulder looking up at the face of the slide, #3 is a view right at Overhanging Rock looking toward Stinson Beach and shows very clearly the immediate point of trouble on a line with the front of the automobile shown in the picture. #4 is almost directly over the slide area.

This road is used by the High School bus daily throughout the winter and the condition of the road is causing a great deal of apprehension on the part of the parents and the officials responsible for their transportation.

Colonel John H. Skeggs - 2 -
September 16, 1940

As far as I know, no provision has been made for a by-pass in the event of serious trouble there. Such a by-pass could be arranged by taking off at Stepp Ravine and working in behind the hill of which Overhanging Rock is a part. This routing would bring traffic out on a point on Panoramic Highway just a short distance from where it enters the Shoreline Highway. Although this suggested by-pass is available, no preliminary work has been done to handle traffic that way.

We will appreciate it a lot if we can have a word from you as to the contemplated handling of the situation as outlined.

With very best personal regards and with a hope that you have had a pleasant summer, I am

Cordially yours,

W D FUSSELMAN

William D. Fusselman
Secretary-Manager

WDF:D

COPY

STANISLAUS A. RILEY
Attorney at Law
Suite 1100 Mills Tower
220 Bush Street
San Francisco

October 1, 1940

Mr. William D. Fusselman,
Secretary-Manager, Marvelous Marin,
Courthouse,
San Rafael, California

Dear Bill:

I want to take this opportunity to compliment you and the members of your Committee on the magnificent manner in which the Dipsea Race of last Sunday was handled. My experience with this race goes back almost to the first of these events. While I have never been a participant, I have naturally observed how arrangements were made and carried out with a view to the comfort of the contestants. Last Sunday's record set an all time high. The trail was marked better than ever. A feature which I never saw before but which was of great assistance, was the indicating with a white-wash line the direction of the trail in places where there might be uncertainty for newcomers. Then, again, in every instance where the trail led through a fence or over a stile, a section was taken down so as not to impede the runners or cause them to break their stride. A tremendous amount of detail work was manifestly done by your committee but it showed the results in the closeness in which the first fifteen men finished.

You spoke about your committee being "amateurs" but those of us who are veterans of the trail are unanimous in voting that there was nothing "amateurish" about the handling of any detail. The comments made by the contestants ought to be very gratifying to you men who gave your time and your thought to putting the race over in the splendid fashion in which it was handled.

As I told you on Sunday, the offer of some of us to chip in with some money to improve the trail in the bad spots still holds good. I would suggest that a survey be made and an estimate of the cost and we shall see what we can do about raising our share of this cost.

I am very sure that if you decide to switch the race to the latter part of April or the early part of May (so as not to conflict with the Mountain Play on the third Sunday of May), you will receive lots of publicity that is now being

Mr. William D. Fusselman

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October 1, 1940

crowded out by the football season and thousands of people would be attracted to Stinson Beach for the day.

If the tide tables were consulted so that you could be sure of an incoming tide in the early afternoon, swimming could be made a feature for the visitors. On an incoming tide you need never worry about accidents.

With best wishes and heartiest congratulations for the fine job that was done and the spirit in which it was done, I am

Sincerely yours,

(SIGNED) Stanislaus A Riley

SAR:MK

STATE OF CALIFORNIA
Department of Public Works
DIVISION OF HIGHWAYS
District IV
2001 Van Ness Avenue
San Francisco, California

October 8th, 1940

Please refer
to File No.
IV-Mrn-56-A

Mr. William D. Fusselman
Secretary-Manager
Marvelous Marin, Inc.
Court House
San Rafael, California

Dear Sir:

Acknowledgement is made to your letter of September 16th with photographs of road conditions at Overhanging Rock on the Shoreline Highway, Mrn-56-A, and comments on the condition of that portion of highway and its importance to Stinson Beach.

The unstable condition of that portion of highway at Overhanging Rock is fully appreciated. However, it is not believed that there is any immediate danger of the highway becoming blocked and closed to traffic. The slide as shown in your photograph just north of Overhanging Rock is very similar to those which affect the Coast Highway where construction follows the slopes along the Ocean shore. If a portion of the roadway at this location should slip out, fortunately there is still room to cut the roadway section fartherback into the hillside.

There are no immediate funds available for any improvement of the Shoreline Highway in Marin County and we would be reluctant to recommend any local improvement which would not fit in with future development of the highway.

You may rest assured that our maintenance forces will keep informed of conditions as they exist at this location.

We are not authorized to make any connection to the Panoramic Highway, as you suggest, and any such construction would necessarily have to be undertaken by some other governmental agency.

Very truly yours

Jno. H. Skeggs
District Engineer

By P. O. Harding
Assistant District Engineer

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October 10, 1940

Mr. P. O. Harding
Assistant District Engineer
Division of Highways
District IV
2001 Van Ness Avenue
San Francisco, California

Dear Mr. Harding:

Thank you very much for the letter received today over your signature on behalf of Colonel Skeggs -- your File #IV-Mrn-56-A respecting road conditions at Overhanging Rock on the Shore Line Highway, south of Stinson Beach.

We read your letter with a great deal of interest but we feel that the point we wish to make failed in reaching its objective. As we said in our first letter to you, we are sure the local crew is aware of the situation and that we can rely upon them to keep this sector of the road in good traveling condition. However, your statement that, "The slide as shown in your photograph just north of Overhanging Rock is very similar to those which affect the Coast Highway where construction follows the slopes along the Ocean shore. If a portion of the roadway at this location should slip out, fortunately there is still room to cut the roadway section farther back into the hillside", makes it appear that our main interest, namely - that everything be done to prevent this sector of the road from going out, should be more fully appreciated at your office. This is the thing in which we are vitally interested... not to lose the use of this piece of road through lack of specific attention. We say this because during the heavy run-offs after severe rains, the Panoramic Highway, a county road, is often out of commission way up on the grade, so we are particularly concerned in keeping this strip of road at Overhanging Rock in constant repair.

Cordially yours,

William D. Fusselman
Secretary-Manager

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Stinson Beach, California.
October 30, 1940.

The Progressive Club of Stinson Beach,
Stinson Beach, Cal.

Dear Friends;

It will be impossible for me to act as secretary for the Club for the next four months at least, and in view of the fact that I am falling down on the job in the winter time and too busy in the summer to be very active, I hereby tender my resignation as Secretary.

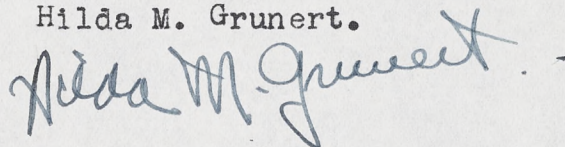
All of the books, files, stationery, etc. that I have had, are here in the Club Room, so that some one else can take over without any difficulty.

I have thoroughly enjoyed serving as Secretary for the past ten years, and will come to the Club meetings as a member when we return in the spring.

Thanking you , and with best wishes to all the members,

Yours very truly,

Hilda M. Grunert.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Hilda M. Grunert". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned below the typed name.

MINUTES

THE MARIN COUNTY COUNCIL OF IMPROVEMENT CLUBS held their regular business meeting NOVEMBER 14 1940 at GRAHAM'S HALL with the president Mr. RUSSELL in the chair

THE MEETING was called to order at 8:40 PM and owing to the absence of Mr. Munro the President requested Mr. Stolte to serve in his place.

MINUTES of the previous meeting were read and approved.

ROLL CALL: all member clubs answered the roll call

TREASURER reported on hand \$60.99 Receipts \$4.00 DISBSTS none BALCE \$64.99

REPORTS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES: NO SPECIAL COMMITTEES

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES: WAYS & MEANS-NO MEETINGS- NO REPORTS

SANITATION -NO MEETINGS- NO REPORTS

~~TRANSPORTATION-NO MEETINGS-NO REPORTS~~

ROAD COMMITTEE- Reported October Meeting

at which each Improvement club prepared a list of road needs for submission to supervisor Bagshaw. On motion of Messrs KING & GALLAGHER the secretary was directed to arrange a meeting of the committee with the Supervisor

TRANSPORTATION-NO MEETINGS-MR. GALLAGHER reported on the Bus Situation advising of the public reaction at the last council meeting with reference to the Municipal Busses. There is still no definite commitment.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: Responding to the invitation given at the last meeting Mr Carl Symonds, Director and Mr. J. S. Peters, General Manager of the Marin Municipal Water District were present. President Russell called on Mr. Symonds who after a short talk introduced Mr. Peters who spoke at length on many points of interest pertaining to the district. Mention was made of the need of raising Alpine Dam and the cost thereof. The building of Pipe lines to San Quentin Point and Hamilton Field without direct charge to the District. Mr Graham led a discussion on rates and water pressure, all questions raised being ably answered by Mr. Peters.

A vote of thanks were tendered Messrs Symonds and Peters for their attendance THE NEXT MEETING WAS SET FOR DECEMBER 12 as the Xmas shopping and preparation would have interfered with the regular date. It was arranged that a Xmas party would be held and Mesdames LAMBERT, RUSSELL, KING, STEELE, BASS were appointed to a committee to be incharge of arrangements. All delegates were invited to bring husband, wife, or friend and each a 15¢ present.

ADJOURNEMENT: THE Meeting was adjourned at 10:50 PM and refreshments were enjoyed by all

Respectfully submitted,
FOR SECRETARY PRO-TEM

W. V. STOLTE

BY

W. E. MUNRO

SECRETARY.